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SUBJECT: EAST-WEST TRADE: REQUEST FOR STATISTICS ON SOVIET INDEBTEDNESS TO THE WEST

- 1. DEPARTMENT REGRETS DELAY IN RESPONDING TO ROME 1824.
- 2. BEST RELEASABLE DATA ON SOVIET DEBT ARE CURRENTLY CONTAINED IN CIA RESEARCH AID (ER 77-10035 U, MARCH 1977)
  "USSR: HARD CURRENCY TRADE AND PAYMENTS, 1977-78," WHICH WILL BE POUCHED PRIORITY TO ECONOMIC COUNSELOR CALINGAERT.
- 3. THE RESEARCH AID PROVIDES THE FOLLOWING STATISTICS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ON SOVIET MEDIUM AND LONG-TERM HARD-CURRENCY CREDITS (DOLLARS MILLION):

YEAR NEW DRAWINGS(A) INTEREST PAYMENTS PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS

1973 1,690 157 657

1974	1,710	220	890
1975	4,300	276	1,280
1976	3,950	491	1,762

## YEAR AMOUNT AVAILABLE TO DEBT AT DEBT SERVICE OFFSET TRADE YEAR-END RATIO (B)

DEFICIT	(PERCENT)	
876	3,641	17
600	4,461	15
2,744	7,481	22
1,697	9,669	26
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## NOTES:

- (A) INCLUDING KNOWN MEDIUM-TERM SYNDICATIONS ON THE EURO-CURRENCY MARKET: \$750 MILLION IN 1975 AND \$250 MILLION IN 1976.
- (B) PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS ON MEDIUM- AND LONG-TERM DEBT AND INTEREST REPAYMENTS ON TOTAL DEBT AS A SHARE OF MERCHANDISE EXPORTS.
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